Builds for the Future
Dear Alumni and Friends:

The academic world, in contrast to much of nature’s annual springtime rebirth, experiences its renewal every autumn with the start of the academic calendar. At St. Francis College, this is no exception.

In September, students and faculty returned to campus to find McGarry Library, a venerable and reliable College landmark, removed and construction underway in its former spot on Remsen Street for a 35,000 square foot academic center. In preparation for the center’s scheduled opening a year from now and to remain compliant with building codes and fire department regulations, floors, classrooms, and offices throughout the remainder of the College have been renumbered.

Enhancements to the College’s physical structure are not the only changes students discovered this fall. For the first time, St. Francis College is offering a minor in Women’s Studies. This timely enhancement to the curriculum addresses the academic needs of current students studying a variety of disciplines and celebrates the contributions of women to society and world cultures.

Construction projects and academic improvements such as these bring a palpable energy to St. Francis College, which, without the generosity of our many friends and dedicated alumni, would not exist. Through your spirit and support, students of today and tomorrow are promised an education that reflects, and, in many cases, exceeds today’s education standards.

Finally, we are proud to report that the combined efforts of students, faculty, administration, staff, and alumni have resulted in a recent citation by U. S. News & World Report naming St. Francis College one of the best comprehensive colleges in the north. It seems that now everyone will know what those of us associated with St. Francis College have known for years.

Welcome back to campus.

Frank J. Macchiarola, Ph.D. ’62
President
SFC Builds on a Tradition of Excellence

Remsen Street looks different than it used to. Between Court and Clinton Streets, the space where McGarry Library once stood has been cleared and under construction is an addition to St. Francis College that will affect the College’s learning environment in a number of innovative ways.

A 35,000 square foot academic center, which will stand adjacent to the College’s main building, is scheduled to open in fall 2005. It will include a state-of-the-art library, “smart” classrooms equipped with wireless Internet access and multimedia technology, theater/lecture hall, updated facilities for the communication arts department, gathering spaces for students, and office space for several academic departments. Renovations to the main lobby and what was formerly the 1M student lounge will bring updated facilities and an Internet-ready cyber lounge overlooking Remsen Street for the convenience of students, faculty, and visitors.

“Today’s competitive higher education standards require students and faculty to have access to technology and information to prepare students to enter the workforce or be accepted to graduate and professional schools,” said President Frank J. Macchiarola, Ph.D. ’62. “These exciting changes allow St. Francis College to remain a high-quality option for students and their families.”

In fact, up-to-date facilities are often high on the list of selection criteria for high school students and their parents when searching for a college. “Prospective students are extremely savvy and know the difference between a contender and a pretender,” said John McAuliffe, associate dean of admissions. “With the new academic center, the commitment St. Francis College is making to its students and their long-term needs will be clear.”

During the design phase of the building, the College’s information technology division met regularly with architects and building engineers to decide how classrooms would look and feel. One goal was to create a wireless environment for the library and informal common spaces as well as classrooms. Among the academic center’s features are classrooms that contain smart white boards, a tool for presenting and modifying PowerPoint and other electronic media demonstrations during classes and lectures.

“Today’s students grew up in an interactive, information-rich climate,” said Jessie Riley, the College’s vice president for information technology. “Their active learning style, which is an indication for what we can expect of future students as well, requires a flexible learning environment, something the new academic center is designed specifically to accommodate.”

Construction of the new building, which is defined as “environmentally friendly,” began this fall after the demolition of McGarry Library and excavation of the space for the new building’s foundation. In addition to its ability to draw

Construction for the new academic center is being managed by Turner Construction. The team includes Bob Kiler; Emad Lotfalla; Jim McKenna; Wendy Castro; Kevin O’Rourke, director of facilities management for SFC; Toby Romano; Bill Sabino; and Ralph Amarosa.
Campaign for Big Dreams Hits $16 Million Mark

Generosity of Alumni, Friends, and Foundations Moves Campaign Closer to Goal

The Campaign for Big Dreams, launched in 2003 to give alumni and friends of St. Francis College the opportunity to support the enhancement of the College’s facilities, increase scholarship support for deserving students, and strengthen academic programs, continues toward its goal of $25 million. As of October 1, $16 million in contributions has been received from individuals and foundations.

Of the 104 gifts made so far to the campaign, 42 commitments are for $100,000 or more. Seven donors have pledged gifts of at least $1 million. Two of these are from alumni who each made a gift of $2 million, representing the largest contributions to the College in its history.

“The heights to which St. Francis College alumni and friends consistently reach to support the College are humbling,” said President Frank J. Macchiarola ’62, who himself has made a $1 million commitment to the campaign. “I am confident we will achieve our goal, positioning St. Francis College well for the future.”

Don’t Get Lost: Floors, Classrooms and Offices Renumbered

To prepare for the completion of the new academic center and to remain compliant with current New York City fire department regulations and building codes, all floors, classrooms and offices at St. Francis College have been renumbered. Elevators, hallway signage, and door signs throughout the entire campus reflect this change. Here’s how to find your way around campus when you visit:

The former mezzanine level (1M) is now the second floor. The second floor is now the third, and so on up to eight. The floor below ground level is the cellar; the floor below that is the sub-cellar.

All room numbers have four digits. The first number indicates the new floor. The second number indicates the “zone.” (We no longer refer to the “science building” or the “arts building.”) The last two numbers indicate the room’s ID number.

For a complete list of offices and classrooms, visit the website, www.stfranciscollege.edu.

Students are finding newly renumbered classrooms and other information through the SFC website, accessible by using any of several new computer kiosks on campus. This technology was funded by a grant from the U.S. Department of Education, secured with the assistance of Congressmen Ed Towns and Peter King ’65.

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A recently published book showcases the expertise of faculty members, administrators, and others from St. Francis College. Three years after the terrorist attack of September 11, 2001, *Perspectives on 9/11* has given rise to thoughtful and original viewpoints on terrorism, globalization, and strategies for living in a post-9/11 environment.

The book is the project primarily of Dr. Yassin El-Ayouty, Esq., a former Thomas J. Volpe Visiting Professor at St. Francis College, retired United Nations Principal Officer, and Special Counsel to the New York City law firm of Spector & Feldman. He is also founder of SUSGLOW, an organization dedicated to global training in the rule of law, specifically in regard to legal and judicial reform, respect for human rights, and the enhancement of good governance across national borders, time zones, and language barriers.

“*Perspectives on 9/11* represents a symbiosis between the momentous events of that date, St. Francis College, and myself,” said Dr. El-Ayouty. “The attacks occurred as I was en route to the College to teach a class on Terrorism and the Law. Before the sun set that night, the book was conceived.”

The book, a compilation of essays written by various experts in such fields as foreign policy, disarmament, and bio-terrorism, also includes powerful accounts of personal experiences on September 11 from a Wall Street bond trader and members of the New York City Police Department and Fire Department of New York (FDNY), in particular an essay by Thomas Von Essen ’72, former chief, FDNY, titled, “How the Fire Department Coped.”

In addition to several St. Francis College students, Dr. El-Ayouty was assisted by a number of faculty members and administrators of the College. Gerald J. Galgan, Ph.D., professor of philosophy; Francis J. Greene, Ph.D., professor of
Excerpts from *Perspectives on 9/11*

Of the 21 contributors to *Perspectives on 9/11*, seven are connected to St. Francis College, either as faculty members, administrators, board of trustees members, or graduates. It should be noted that the manuscript was sent to the publisher in March 2003, before war in Iraq had erupted. Although this caveat does not diminish the relevance of the authors’ opinions or contributions, readers should consider the book, including the following excerpts, through the appropriate time lens.

“Compounding the problem for the United States on the Arab and Muslim street was the continuous reference to the criminal wrongdoers of 9/11 as ‘Muslim,’ not only by U.S. media but also by official pronouncements. In an area, such as the world of Islam, where the faith merges the secular and the religious, listing Tehran and Baghdad as components of an axis of evil sounded to the Muslim populace as if Islam itself was being attacked under the cover of the war on terror.” — From “Basic Tenets of the Anti-U.S. Ideology on the Arab and Muslim Street,” by Dr. Yassin El-Ayouty, editor, *Perspectives on 9/11*.

“This is an arena where the institutions of learning in both the East and the West could marshal the power of their shared values to stem the ugly tide of endless terror. The combined message is simple and true: we know of no faith that espouses the terror ideology, for the cause of terror is beyond the pale of any creed except what the evil-doers imagine as a creed. Evil stands alone contenting itself with destruction and mayhem. It has no destination except a swirl around itself in a deceptive feeling of moving forward. As it carries death into its wake, it gives all, we the members of humanity a new determination to fight the disease by all means at our disposal, in an unflinching spirit of grim isolation to push back the walls of darkness.” — From “Death Be Vanquished,” by Edward Wesley, O.S.F., Ph.D. ‘68, chairman, department of English

“Where does our proud and proven department go from here? It will be years if ever before it could possibly recover. What does recover actually mean? I don’t think it will ever be the same. It will now evolve into a very different great department—one that we hope will keep many of the wonderful traditions of the past as it embraces change that is necessary to prepare for an uncertain future.” — From “How the Fire Department Coped,” by Thomas Von Essen ’72, former Chief, FDNY.

Authors’ opinions are not necessarily those of St. Francis College.
Yassin El-Ayouty:

Getting to Perspectives on 9/11

Yassin El-Ayouty grew up in Egypt and came to the United States in 1952 as a Fulbright scholar. Parallel to earning a master’s degree in history at Rutgers University and, eventually, a doctoral degree in international law from New York University and law degree from Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, were professional opportunities that included representing Egypt as a United Nations delegate; teaching at St. John’s University, where he established fellowships for students interested in studying third-world countries; and additional professorships at Cardozo, Stonybrook University, and St. Francis College.

In 2001, as Thomas J. Volpe Visiting Professor and co-sponsor of St. Francis College’s colloquia on globalization, Dr. El-Ayouty realized that any discussion of terrorism and globalization after the terrorist attacks of September 11 would be shaped ultimately by students’ reception of the event. This approach is consistent with Dr. El-Ayouty’s conviction that “young people know what they need.”

“To convert knowledge into skills, the information being communicated must be stimulating, joyful, and relevant,” said Dr. El-Ayouty. “Without this conversion, knowledge is purely theoretical and cannot be useful. Students would not be able to serve society.”

In 1999, Dr. El-Ayouty founded SUNSGLOW (www.sunsglow.org), an international organization whose primary purpose is to foster globalization of the Rule of Law. Among its strategies is to provide training to judges and other members of the legal community in impoverished countries.

During his Volpe Visiting Professorship, Dr. El-Ayouty was known by students for his honors seminar, Terrorism and the Law, a forum Dr. El-Ayouty used to discuss the development of global perspective on issues and challenges facing third world nations. “This course and its success can serve as an example for other institutions,” said Dr. El-Ayouty. “It is a reflection of one of the College’s greatest strengths: willingness to experiment with course work without deviating from the philosophy and objectives of the institution.”
As part of her recent sabbatical from St. Francis College, K. Priscilla Pedersen, Ph.D., chair, department of religious studies, and a trustee of the Council for a Parliament of the World’s Religions (CPWR), www.cpwr.org, attended this summer’s Parliament of World Religions in Barcelona, Spain. Nine thousand people participated in lectures, symposia, and cultural events that support CPWR’s mission to cultivate harmony among the world’s religious communities and foster their engagement to achieve a peaceful, just, and sustainable world. Here, Dr. Pedersen shares her thoughts about the ways the conference and related experiences earlier this year in Indonesia strengthened her belief that interfaith dialogue is essential for people worldwide to remain hopeful in an uncertain global environment.
Early in my sabbatical I spent ten weeks in Indonesia. While in Yogyakarta, the old cultural capital of central Java, I visited the new Center for Religious and Cross-Cultural Studies at the University of Gadjah Mada, the leading university in Indonesia. This center is pioneering religious studies in a country where this approach is not well known. Here, students, faculty, and staff are extraordinarily dedicated and extremely sophisticated about religious affairs and specifically about interreligious issues. Their commitment to interfaith work was more intense than I usually find in the United States, and this was bracing.

When I asked them, “Do you have organized interfaith activity and interfaith organizations in Yogyakarta?” they replied, “Oh, many.” I pressed the question. “How many? Ten? Twenty? Thirty?” They answered, “Oh, more, more!” I was amazed. I had just been told that in one city in Indonesia there are dozens of interfaith groups, yet no one outside the region has been aware of it. I also visited Bali, and there, too, interfaith organizations are springing up. In Denpasar, the largest town in Bali, leaders of all the island’s religious communities (Hindu, Muslim, Catholic, Protestant Christian, and Buddhist) meet monthly to discuss their concerns. A group I met that conducts interfaith dialogue through sharing of the traditional Balinese arts came five months later to the Barcelona Parliament of Religions where its members made a valuable contribution.

My experiences in Indonesia were a straw in the wind, one way of taking soundings on the state of the global interfaith movement. Today there are thousands of interfaith groups and programs throughout the world. Nobody knows how many exist, since no scientific study has been done. But those involved in this work have the distinct impression that the number is increasing with great speed. I take as the criterion for an “interfaith” group or program any ongoing activity that intentionally involves more than one religion. Application of this criterion reveals an international social phenomenon that can accurately be called a movement: it spreads horizontally from one community to another and from one country to another through the communication of a cluster of concerns and values, and a known method that anyone can use without direction or resources from a centralized agency.

Before 9/11, most people in America were vaguely aware that there is such a thing as an interfaith prayer service. It was striking how after 9/11 the image of an interfaith prayer service came to the forefront of public awareness and became the very thing that everyone wanted to have—and did. All across the country people of different religions gathered in prayer to show that we can live together as neighbors, trying to create a future without bigotry and violence. At the same time, it was perceived that religious intolerance had something to do with motivating the terrorist attacks, that the basic human right of religious freedom is not recog-
nized by all, and that America’s growing acceptance of religious diversity is not necessarily admired by everyone. It became much more clear what is really at stake if we fail to achieve mutual acceptance and cooperation among our religions.

The darker side of the response to 9/11 in our society was expressed in crimes, some deadly, against American Muslims and Sikhs. In this connection a story of the Barcelona Parliament is significant. As reported in *Newsday*, Rabbi Brad Hirschfield, vice president of the National Jewish Center for Learning and Leadership, met a large community of Sikhs at the Parliament of the World’s Religions. The Sikhs were offering daily *langar*, the free communal meal served at Sikh temples or *gurdwaras*, and they had constructed a *gurdwara* by the Mediterranean for this purpose. They served vegetarian food to an average of 6,000 people a day, in a spirit of service and fellowship that was recognized by all to be “the heartbeat of the Parliament.”

Rabbi Hirschfield said, “Every day they served a free lunch simply so people could experience what for them is sacred: no one should go hungry. I watched people who don’t just pray about feeding everyone, but do it. I don’t think I’m ever going to be Sikh, but because of the Sikhs, I’ll be a better Jew.”

On his return to New York, Rabbi Hirschfield heard of a Sikh limousine driver who had been beaten up in Ridgewood in what seems to be a bias crime. Sikhs are targets because the turbans and beards worn by orthodox Sikh men remind some people of Osama bin Laden. Brad Hirschfield spoke with the man who had been beaten. He said, “I wanted to tell him he’s not alone,” and added “the real test” of the effectiveness of interfaith encounter is not that he or thousands of others say they were “transformed” in Barcelona, but that when he came home he actually reached for the phone to help someone who had been the victim of hostility towards a particular religious group.

This story explains why for 20 years I have been actively and programmatically involved in the interfaith movement. In these two decades I have been able to witness the way the interfaith movement has grown with dramatic speed and dynamism, and also with arduous effort by great numbers of people who understand why we cannot do without organized, intentional interfaith relations.

I am devoted to this work because I am convinced that two paths diverge before us. One leads to more of the killing fields, gas chambers, and burning towers we have seen in the last few generations. The other leads to a world of interreligious and interethnic harmony where we will not only tolerate but also actively and positively engage our differences. We must consciously choose the second path and journey on it to its destination. The growth of the interfaith movement is a story still too little known, but it is a sign of hope in these troubled times.

*K. Priscilla Pedersen, Ph.D.*
Chair, Department of Religious Studies

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On May 26, St. Francis College held commencement ceremonies for 547 graduates, the largest graduating class in the College’s history. Graduates and their families filled the Grand Ballroom of the Brooklyn Marriott to receive their diplomas and participate in the culmination of their undergraduate education.

The commencement address was delivered by Donald A. McQuade, Ph.D. ‘63, vice chancellor of university relations, University of California at Berkeley. In his address, he urged students to contribute to “building a kind and just world.” He reminded the audience that “doing so can take any form, whether it was through the written word, music, art, business, public service, dance, laughter, or tears.”

During the ceremony, honorary doctor of humane letters degrees, presented by President Frank J. Macchiarola, Ph.D. ‘62 and Thomas J. Volpe, chairman, St. Francis College board of trustees, were conferred upon Dr. McQuade and two others. Alumnus John McGinley ‘69 has taught for 36 years at St. Francis Preparatory School in Fresh Meadows and is currently that school’s music moderator. Judith D. Zuk is president and chief executive officer of the Brooklyn Botanic Garden as well as an accomplished horticulturist.

Class valedictorian, Vera Chopenko, an English major who emigrated at age 16 from Ukraine and now lives in the Midwood section of Brooklyn, graduated summa cum laude with a 4.0 grade point average. Ms. Chopenko, who plans to enroll in graduate school to study English or journalism after working for a year, participated in the College’s Honors Program and completed an internship at the United Nations while she was a student.

“The members of the class of 2004 are impressive for reasons beyond their great number,” said Dr. Macchiarola. “As a group, they represent the caliber of student and high-quality experience found at St. Francis College. As individuals, they are ready to make meaningful contributions to the corporations and nonprofit organizations where they will work, the schools where they will teach, and the graduate schools where they will continue their educations.”
Where Are They Headed?
Class of 2004 Finds Post-Graduate Success

Members of the class of 2004 are working hard at new jobs or hitting the books as they begin their post-graduate educations. Below are stories that report on the early successes of four recent graduates who share how their experiences at St. Francis College are helping to shape their futures.

Chanardai Ramjattan, B.S. Accounting and Information Technology

In her new position as audit associate for KPMG, Chanardai Ramjattan is responsible for gaining complete understanding of her clients’ businesses and auditing their records to identify potential areas of fraud. That’s where her accounting degree is most useful. For Chanardai, the most exciting part of her job, however, is putting to use the skills of her communications minor when she meets with clients located throughout the tri-state area.

“St. Francis College provided me with a good education, but I’m thoroughly prepared for the social aspects of my job as well,” she said. “Participating in the healthy dialogue that exists between professors and students has given me the confidence to communicate effectively with colleagues who attended other colleges or have more business experience than I do.”

Studying for her CPA exam and exploring opportunities for continuing education at KPMG have Chanardai thinking about business school. “I want to learn as much as I can, in any way I can,” she said. “I worked hard at St. Francis College and it’s paying off in the transition to my career.”

Ronnie Guidice, B.S. Biomedical Science/Pre-Dentistry

When Ronnie Guidice sat down to take his entrance exam for dental school, he knew he was well prepared. What he wasn’t prepared for was the variety of options waiting for him afterward.

High scores led the way to acceptances from five schools of dentistry, with an additional four placing him on their waiting lists. After weighing his choices, Ronnie selected SUNY Buffalo. “The tuition is reasonable and the campus is beautiful,” he said.

Arriving on campus in early August for orientation and an introductory computer course, Ronnie felt right at home when he bumped into St. Francis College alumna Mariam Imnadze ’03, who is attending SUNY Buffalo’s medical school. “It’s great to see a familiar face when everything else is so new,” he said.

Tamika Phillip, B.A. Communications Arts/Film and Broadcast

There is no doubt in Tamika Phillip’s mind that the factors that led to her landing a job as a production assistant with BBC America’s cable television program “While You Were Out” are great teachers and the internships she had while a student at St. Francis College. “Competition is so tough that internships are essential for a successful job hunt,” she said.

Internships at MTV and Eyewitness News prepared her for the fast-paced, deadline-driven environment in which she now works. This experience and graduate school, which she is already making plans to attend, will help her achieve her long-term goal to produce and direct documentary films.

“The small classes at St. Francis give people like me an advantage over friends and colleagues who attended large universities,” Tamika said. “I knew my professors and they knew me and that made all the difference when I needed guidance in the classroom or getting the field experience I needed.”

Danielle Kruger, B.S. Physician Assistant

Danielle Kruger decided on a career as a physician assistant over becoming a doctor for two reasons. She’d be able to spend more time with patients and, thanks to St. Francis College’s partnership with St. Vincent’s Catholic Medical Center, she could earn her degree in four years.

“During the first two years of the program I learned from excellent professors in my science courses at St. Francis, which definitely prepared me for the heavy workload and clinical rotations waiting for me at St. Vincent’s,” she said. After Danielle graduated this spring as valedictorian, she accepted a full-time teaching position at St. Vincent’s and plans also to work in a clinical setting as an emergency room P.A.

Knowing that a career in medicine requires lifelong learning and commitment to helping others, she reminded her St. Vincent’s classmates during her valedictory speech, “We have the skills to learn, the talent to succeed, and the creativity and desire to make a difference in the world.”

“I knew my professors and they knew me and that made all the difference.”
— Tamika Phillip

 “[We have] desire to make a difference in the world.”
— Danielle Kruger
“Embrace Diversity, Be Prepared, Have Faith

Excerpts from Dr. Donald A. McQuade’s Address to the Class of 2004

“When I graduated from St. Francis in 1963, the people receiving diplomas looked more alike than different. Most of my classmates came from working-class neighborhoods, and the list of graduates was dominated by Italian and Irish names.

“Now look around you. Witness the splendid diversity of this graduating class. Each of you is contributing to reinvigorating the American spirit. If pluralism is the genius of American society, then this nation’s remarkable diversity is the most promising source for continued civic renewal and harmony in the United States—and a source of great pride for St. Francis College. Since its founding in 1859, this College has served as the educational home for thousands of first-generation college students. St. Francis College has had a consistent mission and a storied history.

“I trust that you have taken advantage of this opportunity to embrace and to learn from the enlivening and enriching diversity that is St. Francis College. One way or another, each of us will need to educate ourselves to understand and appreciate difference.

“Let me express this point in more stark terms: the alternative to education is catastrophe. The consequences of failing to educate ourselves about others are personal diminishment, societal limitation, and national catastrophe. We—each of us as well as our nation—will either learn to understand and appreciate difference, or we will continue to kill each other at home and abroad. A more humane and less technologically ‘sophisticated’ alternative would be simply to express the mutual respect that makes tolerance possible and difference appreciable.

“I’d like to leave you with a few respectful suggestions about how you might contribute to making our fragmented world a little more coherent, just, and humane. As Dr. Martin Luther King reminds us, the moral arc of the universe is long, but it does eventually bend toward justice.

“To contribute your voice to building a more kind and just world, I urge you as you move on in your life to identify and address some unmet need in society.

“I urge you to foster originality among both your children and those with whom you will spend your working hours.

“I urge you to advocate for the values our society cherishes and to exercise your freedom to insist that our leaders exemplify these values.

“I urge you to invest in social capital. While ‘venture capital’ allows us to build a business, ‘social capital’ enables us to build a better society—one that is dedicated to the principles of a literate, informed, and participatory democracy.

“I urge you to continue to do your homework, to be prepared. If you are unprepared, you risk your credibility.

“I urge you to combine passion with a clear goal and a healthy dose of strategy.

“I urge you always to take the high moral road—you will sleep better at night and in the long run you will preserve your integrity.”
“Define in your own mind what it means to help others, then go out and do that work in the world.”

Wit and Wisdom for the Real World

During his remarks to graduates, commencement speaker Dr. Donald A. McQuade ’63 offered a moment of light-hearted, yet practical, advice for navigating life after graduation. He described them as “eight bits of wisdom to file for future use.”

“First, I encourage you to remember that light travels faster than sound. This is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.

“Second, the only time the world will beat a path to your door is when you’re in the bathroom.

“Third, if at first you don’t succeed, then skydiving isn’t for you.

“Fourth, if at first you do succeed, try not to look too astonished.

“Fifth, consider whether it may be that your sole purpose in life is to serve as a warning to others.

“Sixth, before you criticize someone, walk a mile in their shoes. That way when you criticize them, you’ll be a mile away and you’ll be wearing their shoes.

“Seventh, borrow money from pessimists—they don’t expect it back.

“And eighth, be nice to your children; they will choose your nursing home.”

“Define in your own mind what it means to help others, then go out and do that work in the world.”

And finally, I urge you to continue to help others. Learn how to make the best of your resources—be they intellectual, religious, or financial—and then put those resources to work on behalf of others. Let me invoke the words of a distinguished but now mostly forgotten American woman, Eleanor Roosevelt. She said: ‘When you cease to make contributions, you begin to die…’

“It’s taken me more than a half a century to realize that the essence of life is the pleasure that comes from helping others. Yet, our earth may not be able to sustain us much longer; politics will continue to seek to influence our behavior, whether it is for the good of the people or not; religion will continue to be a source of harmony and salvation as well as, regrettably, an excuse for discrimination and violence.

“In the face of the booming, buzzing mass of relations that characterizes our lives, the simplest of actions that can remain enduring and healing is our desire and our capacity to help each other. No matter what form this help takes, helping others represents and expresses the best—and the most powerful commonness—of our humanity.

“Please remember that definitions of helping others can be packaged for us, and especially so by those in power. Be wary of definitions handed to you. Define in your own mind and with people you trust what it means to help others. And then go out and do that work in the world.

“…I learned here at St. Francis…to have faith—faith in God and faith in myself. And faith remains a word I invoke every day in my life. For me, faith is a readiness for surprise. But what does it mean to be ready for surprise?

“In the Franciscan spirit of humility, faith in God and faith in yourself and faith in others enables each of us to remain open to the possibilities of experience. ‘Faith’ enables us to risk moving beyond whatever—and wherever—we currently are. Yet ‘faith’ always enables us never to forget where we come from. ‘Faith’ also enables us to move about in the world with humility and to leave our distinctive mark on the world with quiet and understated confidence. If you have enough ‘faith’ in yourself, heaven will cry with joy.”

Commencement speaker Dr. Donald A. McQuade ’63, above, fourth from left with the 1962-63 water polo team. He addressed former teammates at a pre-commencement reunion.

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Women’s Studies Minor Available to SFC Students

Beginning this fall, a minor in women’s studies is available for the first time to St. Francis College students. Designed to promote understanding and communication of the role of women and their contributions to society, the minor focuses on the biological, psychological, and social aspects of women within their unique cultures and areas of expertise.

“With women comprising 57 percent of the student body and 37 percent of faculty, it’s timely and appropriate to provide opportunities for students to explore these themes within an academic framework,” said Suzanne Forsberg, Ph.D., professor of fine arts. Dr. Forsberg, along with Michele Hirsch, Ph.D., associate professor of psychology, coordinated efforts of male and female faculty members from several disciplines to gain support for the minor’s approval and formalize its curriculum.

The curriculum, which includes participation in relevant cultural events, highlights women’s contributions to literature, the arts, and the sciences. Required and elective coursework draws primarily from existing courses offered by the departments of economics, English, fine arts, health sciences, philosophy, political science, psychology, religion, and sociology. One new required course, Gender Roles in Cross-Cultural Perspective, has been developed cooperatively by the departments of psychology and sociology.

“The availability of this course structure puts St. Francis College on a par with hundreds of colleges and universities across the country that offer a similar concentration in this subject matter,” said Dr. Hirsch. “Factors such as level of student interest and availability of scholarly literature on topics related to the minor will, over time, shape the evolution of the curriculum.”

“Given the College’s commitment to interdisciplinary collaboration, the women’s studies minor provides tremendous opportunity to examine, clarify, and define links among related fields,” said Gerald Largo, Ph.D., vice president and dean for academic affairs. “This approach not only enriches the College’s overall curriculum but makes it more appealing to current and future students.”

SFC Mentoring Program Begins Second Year

The St. Francis College Mentoring Program, which links current students to alumni working in their fields of interest, returns for the 2004-2005 academic year. The program, coordinated by the department of alumni affairs and supported by the office of career development, was launched in 2003 to provide a way for alumni to stay connected with the College by sharing professional and graduate school experience with students who might benefit from their guidance and expertise.

“The mentoring program, although not designed specifically as a direct avenue to employment, is certainly a helpful learning tool for students as they begin to develop an outline for their careers,” said Naomi Kinley, director of career development.

“Students who participated last year reported that their mentors offered valuable advice and encouragement about graduate school, internships, and the job market.”

Kevin Clark ’77, educational supervisor for Interfaith Medical Center in Brooklyn, is a certified school psychologist and adjunct professor of education and counseling psychology at Queens College. Last year, he mentored Louis Mora ’04, who plans to earn his doctorate in psychology. Kevin became a mentor because a similar experience through the Urban Youth Corps helped shape his career choices when he was a student. “The impact my mentor had on my life was profound,” he said. “It’s been a pleasure to try to do the same for Louis as he makes decisions about his career.”

Because many of the 21 alumni who participated in the program’s first year have renewed their commitment to the program or recruited other alumni, available mentor positions for 2004-2005 are filled.

For more information about becoming a future mentor, contact Vanessa De Almeida ’00, assistant director of alumni relations, (718) 489-5363 or vdealmeida@stfranciscollege.edu.
Mary Robinson to Speak at St. Francis College

Former President of Ireland will Deliver Thomas J. Volpe Lecture on Global Business and Finance

Mary Robinson, former president of Ireland, will appear at St. Francis College on October 28, 2004, to deliver the 2004 Thomas J. Volpe Lecture on Global Business and Finance. The lecture will take place in Founders Hall, St. Francis College, 180 Remsen Street, Brooklyn Heights, at 11:00 a.m.

Mrs. Robinson’s presentation will serve also as the inauguration of a series of lectures that feature prominent women in business, politics, and the arts. The lecture series, “Breaking the Glass Ceiling,” will take place throughout the 2004-2005 academic year to celebrate the launch of the College’s women’s studies minor.

“We are honored that Mary Robinson has agreed to share her expertise and insight with us for two events significant to the life of St. Francis College,” said President Frank J. Macchiarola, Ph.D. ’62. “As a world leader, she brings firsthand knowledge of the relatedness of diverse international issues to global economies. As Ireland’s first female president, she offers fresh insight and appreciation for women’s contributions to world culture.”

From 1997-2002, immediately following her term as Ireland’s president (1990-97), Mary Robinson served as United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights. In that capacity, Mrs. Robinson implemented the reform proposal of Secretary-General Kofi Annan to integrate human rights concerns in all activities of the U.N. During her term, she traveled to Rwanda, South Africa, Columbia, and Cambodia, among other countries. In China, she signed an agreement designed to lead to wide-reaching improvements of human rights in that country.

As president of Ireland, Mrs. Robinson developed a new sense of that country’s economic, political, and cultural links with other nations. She was the first head of state to visit Rwanda in the aftermath of the 1994 genocide there. In 1992, she received the CARE Humanitarian Award for her efforts in Somalia.

The Thomas J. Volpe Lecture Series on Global Business and Finance was established in 1997 to prepare future business leaders to create opportunities in a climate influenced by diverse cultural and economic pressures. Typically, lectures are designed to build awareness for the sensitivities of various world cultures and how those affect social, legal, political, and economic forces of the international marketplace. Speakers represent all areas of the global economic environment, including finance, banking, insurance, accounting, marketing, law, and human resources.

Women’s Lecture Series: Reserve Your Seat Now

“Breaking the Glass Ceiling” lectures will be held throughout the 2004-2005 academic year on the St. Francis College campus. For further information about speakers and event dates, check the St. Francis College website, www.stfranciscollege.edu, or call the Office of Special Events, (718) 489-5272. Lectures are open to the public but require a reservation.
SFC Graduate Receives Fulbright Award

Biology major Alissar Maaliki ’04, is the recipient of a 2004-2005 U.S. Student Fulbright award for graduate study abroad. She is spending nine months in Morocco researching the utilization and conservation of herbal medicine.

Ms. Maaliki, a native of Lebanon who as a child immigrated with her family to the United States, chose Morocco for two reasons. Herbal medicines are used widely in that country due to the availability and affordability of a large variety of regionally grown herbs. And she speaks Arabic, Morocco’s official language. “To make the most of my experience I knew being able to communicate effectively would be critical,” she said.

Ms. Maaliki, who lives in Sheepshead Bay, Brooklyn, graduated from Fort Hamilton High School in 2000. “The combination of my childhood in Lebanon and education in the United States has created in me a desire to study medicine,” said Ms. Maaliki, who plans to enroll in medical school in 2005 upon the completion of her Fulbright commitment. “The opportunity a Fulbright scholarship offers will nourish my ambition to understand the many faces of medicine in different cultures.”

With this award, Ms. Maaliki joins the ranks of 261,000 Fulbright award alumni worldwide who include heads of state, ambassadors, CEOs, university presidents, journalists, artists, professors and teachers, 34 of whom have been awarded Nobel Prizes. Among the criteria for an applicant’s consideration is the extent to which candidates and their proposed projects will help advance mutual understanding among nations.

“This honor is a testament not only to the quality of St. Francis College students but also Fulbright’s commitment to selecting students from diverse institutions to study abroad as scholars and serve as ambassadors of cultural understanding,” said Frank J. Macchiarola, Ph.D., president, St. Francis College.

“There is no student more qualified or deserving than Alissar Maaliki to represent the U.S., Brooklyn, and St. Francis College.”

During the period of her scholarship, Ms. Maaliki will be based in Rabat, but will travel frequently to Casablanca, Marrakech, and Agadir to study the full range of plants sustained by varying climates of the region. She plans also to visit several herbal export companies to gain understanding of issues surrounding the production of herbs for mass consumption.

“Alissar’s life experience as well as her compassion, enthusiasm, and intelligence make her uniquely qualified to contribute meaningfully to the work she is pursuing,” said Virginia Franklin, Ph.D., professor of English at St. Francis College and Fulbright advisor to Ms. Maaliki. A former Fulbright scholar herself, Dr. Franklin added, “the knowledge Alissar gains about herbal medicine, a topic of growing interest worldwide in alternative medical treatments, will only enrich her future medical school and professional experiences.”

Every Day I Grow Wiser,” A Moroccan Journal

“Morocco is an absolutely amazing place with a culture so unique that one can discover great variations within one city. While it sometimes seems like a magical kingdom at Disney World, other times it isn’t so. Unemployment is high; poverty is visible; and lack of education leads to evident drug use among young people.

“I’m finding the use of herbal medicine abundant. I have had great luck in speaking with several women, who—to my surprise because they are otherwise illiterate—know a lot about the scientific properties of medicinal plants. Word of mouth through generations helps maintain the ‘recipe’ for good healing. Herbal pharmacists have generously provided me with herbs, books, and leads to scholars in the field. I look forward to meeting political figures whose duty it is to ensure the conservation of agricultural resources of Morocco and visiting herbal export companies and plantations where herbs are grown.

“Undoubtedly, the Moroccan people are among the nicest, most hospitable people I’ve ever met. Daily experiences have helped me break down misperceptions and stereotypes about a developing nation. Day by day, as I communicate and live here, I appreciate more clearly this way of life and its related beliefs. Every day I grow wiser in my journey to understand others.”

— Alissar Maaliki, Aug. 29, 2004
On April 23, Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright Arthur Miller appeared at St. Francis College at the 9th annual Arthur Miller Conference, sponsored by the Arthur Miller Society. In addition to the visit from Mr. Miller, *Arthur Miller: The Man Who Had All the Luck, Celebrating his 60 Years on Broadway* featured lectures over two days and a walking tour of Arthur Miller’s former Brooklyn Heights residences.

In a conversation moderated by Christopher Bigsby, professor of American studies, University of East Anglia, Norfolk, UK, Mr. Miller, 88, discussed a number of topics. The conversation covered his boyhood in Harlem and Brooklyn, early writing influences, experiences writing for radio and the stage, works for which he is best known, critical standards for Broadway musicals and dramatic plays, and his newest play, *Finishing the Picture*, currently in rehearsals preparing for its world premiere this fall at Chicago’s Goodman Theatre.

“Arthur Miller’s trip ‘back home’ to Brooklyn provided a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for students, faculty, staff, and the community to connect with one of America’s greatest living playwrights,” said Stephen Marino, adjunct professor of English, St. Francis College, and president of the Arthur Miller Society. “It was an experience most of us will never forget.”

Mr. Miller’s overall straightforwardness and candor about his lackadaisical approach to academics during his youth resonated with some St. Francis College students in the audience. “I think of actors and others who have a lot of fame as not like real persons,” said Kevin Barry, a student in Mr. Marino’s American Drama class who is currently a senior. “Arthur Miller was anything but that. He was one of the most down-to-earth people I’ve ever met.”
In 1944, the year Allied troops invaded Normandy, Casablanca won the Oscar for best picture, and a gallon of milk, at $.62 per gallon, cost three times more than a gallon of gasoline, John Burke began teaching chemistry at St. Francis College. Today, 60 years later, after “officially” retiring in 1988, he’s still a member of the faculty as an adjunct professor.

A 1940 graduate of the College, Dr. Burke returned to St. Francis after working as a researcher for General Foods. In 1946, he earned a master’s degree from New York University and in 1962, a doctoral degree from St. John’s University.

World War II, enrollment boomed,” he recalled. As St. Francis College grew, Dr. Burke moved with the chemistry department and the College from Butler Street to Henry Street to Remsen Street. He remembers the enthusiasm surrounding the opening of the Science Building in 1968. “For the first time, the chemistry department was housed under the same roof as the rest of the College,” he said.

Scientific advancements and dramatic improvements in instrumentation “have made possible what was once impossible,” observed Dr. Burke. While the teaching of classical chemistry has changed with the times, students, aside from being a more diverse group than years ago, he believes have remained more or less unchanged.

“There always have been excellent students, good students, and average students,” Dr. Burke explained. Now, as has been the case throughout his career, he is most gratified when a reluctant student becomes “lit up” by the scientific process. “Having had the chance to witness that moment of understanding many times over the years has made it all worthwhile.”

In spring 2004, the Student Government Association honored Dr. Burke for more than 60 years at St. Francis College as a student, professor, department chairman, and division chairman. This fall, Dr. Burke, who is impressed with recent enhancements to the College and curriculum, is back on campus guiding students through organic chemistry labs.

“How much swimming and fishing can you do?” he asked about retirement. “Teaching keeps me interested and up to date. I like it as much today as I ever have.”

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“Dr. Burke’s organic chemistry class, where I was first challenged to understand a phenomenon and prove it, was my introduction to the world of science and influenced my career choice,” said Louis J. Imbriano, M.D. ’67, who is director of inpatient dialysis services at Winthrop Hospital in Mineola and an assistant professor of medicine at SUNY Stony Brook. “He got students to interact with subject matter in the lab and stimulated us to find applications of the science in our daily lives. I can never forget his impact on me.”

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Chi Beta Phi Celebrates 35 Years at SFC

Pre-Basketball Game Reunion Planned

The Alpha Xi chapter of national science honor fraternity Chi Beta Phi celebrates its 35th anniversary at St. Francis College during the 2004-2005 academic year. The chapter, which inducted its first group of applicants in 1970 after receiving its charter in 1969, was started by 12 biology and chemistry students as a way to recognize the academic and research accomplishments of St. Francis College science students.

Over the past 35 years, more than 400 students studying biology and/or chemistry at St. Francis College have become Chi Beta Phi members. “A high percentage of members are physicians, dentists, podiatrists, osteopathic physicians, and optometrists. Others teach science or work in the health sciences and pharmaceutical industries,” said James Corrigan, Ph.D. ’60, professor of biology at St. Francis College and a member of Alpha Xi chapter. “Most impressive is their willingness to assist current students with career advice and support.”

Chi Beta Phi was started in 1920 at Randolph-Macon College in Ashland, Va. In 1935, the honor fraternity was approved as an associate society by the American Association for the Advancement of Sciences. There are 25 chapters on the east coast, three in New York State. To be considered for membership, candidates must have cumulative and major grade point averages of 3.0 with at least two years of completed coursework in chemistry and biology. Members offer tutoring in science courses for all students, particularly freshmen and sophomores.

In spring 2005 on a date to be announced, a reunion of Chi Beta Phi members will be held prior to a Terriers men’s basketball game. Current and former members will receive information about the event to be mailed in December. Former members who are interested in participating should contact Dr. Corrigan (718) 489-5294, bugman38@hotmail.com; or Dennis McDermott ’74, director of alumni affairs, (718) 489-5362, dmcdermott@stfranciscollege.edu.

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SFC Alumna Appointed Controller

June Carroll McGrisken, CPA ’76, who has served St. Francis College since December 2002 as director of student financial services, has been appointed controller. In her new role, Ms. McGrisken, who has experience in higher education as well as the private sector, assumes responsibility for financial operations, financial reporting, and budgeting for the College.

After graduating with a bachelor’s degree in accounting and completing an internship as a student for Deloitte & Touche, Ms. McGrisken was hired by the international accounting firm, where she worked directly for Bill Parrett ’67, currently global CEO for Deloitte & Touche USA. In 1982, she earned an MBA in finance from Fordham University.

Ms. McGrisken, who is married to alumnus Ronald McGrisken ’80, is enthusiastic about her new position during a time of growth for the College. “The challenges that come with the capital project underway are exciting and positive,” she said. “I look forward to seeing the benefits to our students over the next several years.”

Chi Beta Phi members in 1969.
Faculty Notes

New Appointments
St. Francis College is delighted to announce the following faculty appointments for fall 2004:

Athena Devlin, Ph.D., assistant professor of English—Dr. Devlin joins the St. Francis College faculty after an adjunct professorship at the College in 2003. She holds doctoral and master’s degrees in English from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, and a bachelor of arts degree in literature from Barnard College, Columbia University.

Jana Dixon, lecturer, physical education—Ms. Dixon comes to St. Francis College from the Lynn, Mass., public schools. She holds a master of secondary education degree and a bachelor of science degree in physical education from Salem State College, Salem, Mass.

Joseph Eaton, Ph.D., assistant professor of chemistry—Dr. Eaton joins St. Francis College from North Dakota State University, where he was assistant professor of chemistry. He holds a doctoral degree from Johns Hopkins University and a bachelor of science degree in chemistry from Georgetown University.

Barbara Edington, instructor, information technology—Ms. Edington is the former director of business value practice at Tabb Group, where she conducted studies related to the value and improvement of information technology processes. She has been an adjunct professor at Pace University, where she is completing coursework for her doctoral degree. She holds an MBA in finance from Temple University and a bachelor of science degree in psychology from Albright College.

Emily Horowitz, Ph.D., assistant professor of sociology—Dr. Horowitz, who comes to St. Francis College from the New York Academy of Medicine where she served as research associate, holds doctoral and master’s degrees in sociology from Yale University and a bachelor of arts degree in history from Bard College.

Promotions and Tenure
Effective September 2004, Dr. Behrouz Tabrizi (economics) has been awarded tenure and promoted to associate professor. Dr. Renee Goodstein (psychology) has been promoted to associate professor; and Dr. Ian Maloney (English) has been promoted to assistant professor. Dr. Timothy Houlihan was appointed a full-time member of the history/political science/social studies department.

Tenure and the rank of associate professor have been awarded, effective September 2005, to Dr. John Dilyard (management); Dr. Sintia Molina (fine arts, foreign languages and international cultural studies); Dr. Gregory Tague (English); and Edward Wesley O.S.F., Ph.D. ’68 (English).

Faculty Grants
During the 2003-2004 academic year, several faculty members received professional development grants, through which they assisted in research projects and attended and participated in courses, workshops, and conferences. They are Dr. Suzanne Forsberg; Dr. Uwe Gielen; Dr. Peter Gomori; Dr. Francis Greene; Dr. Michele Hirsch; Dr. Renee Goodstein; Dr. Lynne Jackson; Dr. Steven M. Lipson; Professor Carmine Noagara; Dr. Kathleen Nolan; Dr. Matthew McGowan; Dr. Marianne Sennick; Dr. Behrouz Tabrizi; Dr. Alan Udoff; and Dr. Evelyn C. Wolfe.

Similarly, faculty research grants were awarded to Dr. Suzanne Forsberg; Dr. Enildo Garcia; Dr. Uwe Gielen; Dr. Renee Goodstein; Dr. Steven M. Lipson; Dr. Frank M. Sorrentino; and Dr. Gregory Tague.

Notable Achievements
Dr. Geoffrey Horlick (accounting and business law) was selected for inclusion in the eighth edition of Who’s Who Among America’s Teachers, 2004.

Dr. Stephen Lipson (biology) was awarded an Early Career Faculty Travel Grant from the American Society of Microbiology to present a paper prepared in collaboration with others titled “The Training of Undergraduate Science Majors in Virological Techniques: Research Application to Anti-Viral Activity by Comestible Juices,” and “Effects of Salinity Changes on Dissolved Oxygen Concentrations in Water Inhabited by Mollies,” for the American Society for Microbiology Conference for Undergraduate Educators Annual Conference.

Dr. James Corrigan ’60 (biology) presented two lectures on biological and chemical agents in terrorism to CERT-1.

Dr. Gerard Davidson’s (chemistry) research article, “Nickel Compounds Act through Phosphatidylinositol-3-kinase/Akt-Dependent, p70s6k-Independent Pathway to Induce Hypoxia Inducible Factor Transactivation and Cap43 Expression in Mouse Epidermal C141 Cells,” was published in Cancer Research.

Dr. John Dilyard (management) completed editing a book with Dr. H. Peter Gray titled Globalization and International Economic Stability to be published by Edward Elgar.

Professor Jean Ende (management) published articles in several issues of Crains’ New York Business, including “Builders Drop from Weak Bonding,” “Banks Giving Start-Ups Affordable Head Start,” “Responding to Whistle Blowers,” and “Sheepshead Bay Economic Woes.”

Dr. Evelyn C. Wolfe (chemistry) was awarded the Dr. Henry C. McBay Outstanding Professor Award in Recognition of Pedagogical Leadership and Mentorship at the 2004 Annual NOBCChE Conference. At the same conference, she presented “Analysis of the Medicinal Contents of Curcumin in Curry Leaf.”

Publications and Presentations
Dr. Sophie Berman (philosophy) delivered a paper titled “Human Free Will in Anselm and Descartes” at the Third St. Anselm Conference, St. Anselm College, Manchester, N.H.

Dr. Mary Bolan (philosophy) edited an article titled “Transformation and Victory in I Corinthians 15:50-58,” for publication in Dunwoodie Review. She also delivered two papers at St. Francis College, “On the Possibility of a Philosophy of Religion” and “The Medical School Admissions Process: Some Reflections.”

Dr. Allen Burdowski (biology), in collaboration with others, published two abstracts, “The Training of Undergraduate Science Majors in Virological Techniques: Research Application to Anti-Viral Activity by Comestible Juices,” and “Effects of Salinity Changes on Dissolved Oxygen Concentrations in Water Inhabited by Mollies,” for the American Society for Microbiology Conference for Undergraduate Educators Annual Conference.
Dr. Suzanne Forsberg (foreign languages, fine arts, and international cultural studies) gave two lectures to the New York City Council for the Humanities, “Johann Sebastian Bach, a Portrait of a Musician of the Baroque,” and “Hildegard of Bingen, a Woman for all Ages.”

Dr. Virginia Franklin (English) delivered her invited paper, “African American and Maori Socio-legal Paths to Progress,” at the Fulbright American Studies Conference, University of Waikato, Hamilton, New Zealand.

Dr. Enildo Garcia (foreign languages, fine arts, and international cultural studies) completed two manuscripts for publication, “The Establishment of a Public School System during the American Intervention in Cuba 1899-1902,” and “The Papers and Letters of Dr. Clara Cardonell and the History of Matanzas Teachers College.”

Dr. Richard Giaquinto (education) authored two articles, “The Software Picture Book” to be published by T.H.E. Journal, and “Comprehension and Picture Book Illustrations,” submitted for publication to the Journal of Balanced Reading Instruction. He presented “Content Reading Instruction in the Elementary Schools” at the New York State Reading Association Annual Meeting and “Digging Informational Text” at the Brooklyn Boroughwide Reading Conference.

Dr. Uwe P. Gielen (psychology) chaired a symposium on “Psychology Around the World,” presented a poster on “Assessing Moral Maturity,” and was a discussant for “Challenges of Being the Psychologist Advisor to Heads of State in Europe” at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association. In Jinan, China, he presented “The Cross Cultural Study of Human Development” at the annual meeting of the International Council of Psychologists. In Beijing, Dr. Gielen chaired the symposium “The Psychosocial Adjustment of Immigrant Adolescents” and presented a paper co-authored by St. Francis College graduate Antonio Lombardo titled “The Psychosocial Adjustment of Chinese American Adolescents in New York City.”

Dr. Peter Gomori (management) delivered “Policy Issues in Online Course Development” at the Academy of Business Education Annual Conference. He also co-authored a paper with Dr. M. H. McSweeney titled “Assessing Long-Term Financial Risk and Long Term Options.”

Dr. Francis Greene (foreign languages, fine arts, and international cultural studies) published, “Imagery and Iconography in Christian Art: The Role of Myth,” in Proceedings of the Annual Conference on Christianity and Literature. Dr. Arthur Hughes (history, political science, and social studies) completed a book titled A Life of Brooklyn, 1903-1904.

Dr. Michael Kaune (sociology and criminal justice) co-authored an article with Richard Callahan titled “A Survey of Probation Officers Concerning the Use of Hair Testing for Illicit Substances,” submitted for peer review to The International Journal of Drug Testing.


Dr. Ian Maloney (English) has been selected to present “To Work or Not to Work; Bartleby’s Problematic Refusal” as part of the Speakers in the Humanities Program of the New York Council for the Humanities.


Dr. Sintia Molina’s (foreign languages, fine arts, and international cultural studies) book, Dominican Perspectives, was published by the University Press of Florida. Together with Danilo Figuero, she has signed a contract with Greenwood Press to edit a Cuban literature volume for Caribbean Literature Encyclopedia. Her article, “Carta a Liz,” was selected for publication in the anthology Pensante II: Writing by Women.

Dr. Kathleen Nolan (biology) published several articles in collaboration with other scholars, including “Intraspecific and Interspecific Molecular Differentiation of American Shad and Alabama Shad,” Transactions of the American Fisheries Society Symposium 35:295-302, and “Introducing Students to Conservation Genetics Using Sturgeon Caviar and Other Fish Eggs,” Proceedings of the 25th Workshop Conference of the Association of Biology Laboratory Education, University of Nevada, Las Vegas.


Dr. Behrouz Tabrizi (economics) published “Growth and Development: Two Complementary Concepts, Not Substitutes,” Danesh va Mardom (People and Knowledge); “A Note on Microeconomics of Islam,” Newsletter of the Union for Radical Economics; and his book review of Dr. Michael Zweig’s Working Class Majority in Review of Radical Political Economics.

Dr. Gregory Tague (English) published an article on D.H. Lawrence in Dictionary of Literary Influences: the Twentieth Century, 1914-2000.


Dr. Marilyn Verna (education) published several articles, including “Raising Your Child to be Gifted: Successful Parents Speak,” Gifted and Talented International; “Jordan Auslander Discusses Voter Registration Records,” Genealogy Group; and collaborated with others in publications by the Research Centre for Vocational Education and the MENSA Research Journal. She presented papers at the Annual Conference of the American Education Association, IEA International Research Conference, and St. John’s University.
Sports Roundup

SFC to Dedicate Basketball Court to Peter Aquilone

The faculty, administration, students, and staff of St. Francis College are deeply saddened by the sudden passing on September 23 of Peter Aquilone, the son of Edward Aquilone ’60, director of athletics for St. Francis College. Peter, always an enthusiastic supporter of the Terriers, will be honored on December 1 as the College dedicates the basketball court at the Generoso Pope Physical Education Facility, the College’s main gym, to his memory.

“Peter did it all for us. When there were things we needed, he was our ‘go to’ guy. Peter said ‘done’ and it was,” said President Frank J. Macchiarola, Ph.D. ’62. “He helped design the Terriers logo, participated in the layout of the Genovesi Center, and shared his legal skills to make sure the College complied with complex NCAA regulations to be eligible to compete with other colleges in recruiting athletes for our basketball teams. He was the most complete young person I knew and a friend to all whose lives he touched. It is fitting that Ed Aquilone’s son will continue to be at his side with his name on the Terriers’ home court.”

Peter, 34, a graduate of Fordham University and Benjamin Cardozo School of Law, was manager, Center Ice and Media for the National Hockey League’s Television and Media group. He devoted a great deal of time to the Special Olympics and New York’s Empire State Games, serving also as co-meet director and founder of the New York Hispanic Games, the largest high school track meet in the United States, as well as co-meet director for the New York City Marathon High School Road Race.

The dedication ceremony, which takes place at 6:00 p.m., will precede the opening game of the Terriers women’s basketball season against Towson State University. For more information, please call (718) 489-5372.

Terriers Women’s Basketball Team Fueled for Winning Season

After missing the playoffs last spring by one game, the Terriers women’s basketball team is ready to return to the wood for the 2004-2005 season where they left off last year. Their 7-11 conference record and 8-19 overall record, including three key consecutive wins to end the season—a significant improvement over the previous year—have inspired the team to set its sights higher.

Brenda Milano, returning for her second season as head coach, is optimistic. “At the end of last season, we were happy but we know we have what it takes to be even better,” she said. “Our experience has propelled us to work hard to earn a spot in the playoffs.”

New players and coaches are providing depth to an already talented group. Since last season, Kelly Hall Barsky was hired from the University of New Hampshire as assistant coach; recent graduate Natasha Green ’04 has been added as assistant coach; and Phil Merlino was promoted to first assistant coach. New players include 6’8” center Katja Bavendam, at St. Francis College from Germany; guard Tiffany Hill and all-state point guard Kara Ayers, both from New Jersey; and Linda Warrington, a swing player from Massachusetts.

According to Coach Milano, returning players as well as those new to the team look forward to the support of fans at their games. “Encouragement from a crowd really helps during a game and affects our overall optimism,” she said. “We appreciate that students, alumni, family members, and community folks curious about what we’ve got support our team and our efforts.”
Athletics Department Honors Student Athletes

Last spring, the St. Francis College athletics department named male and female student athletes and scholar athletes for 2003-2004. Honored as student athletes of the year are Marina Shport, women’s swimming; Jelena Maljkovic, women’s water polo; and Mike Wilson, men’s basketball. Scholar athletes of the year are Kelly Quigley and Franz Pouchet.

Ms. Shport, who holds the St. Francis College record for the backstroke, won the 100- and 200-yard backstroke events at the Northeast Conference 2004 championships, breaking a meet record in the 100-yard event. Ms. Maljkovic, selected as All American in 2003, was recently hired by St. Francis College as assistant coach for the women’s swimming and water polo teams. Mr. Wilson, in addition to this honor, was named most valuable player for the men’s basketball team and to the All-Northeast Conference second team. He has been hired by the College as second assistant coach for the men’s basketball team.

Ms. Quigley, an education major with a 3.81 grade point average, is a member of the volleyball and women’s swim teams and is currently president of the student-athlete advisory board. Mr. Pouchet, a business management major with a 3.69 grade point average.

Dr. Macchiarola Named NEC President

Frank J. Macchiarola, Ph.D. ’62, president, St. Francis College, has been named president of the Northeast Conference (NEC) for 2004-2006 by its Council of Presidents. The NEC, whose mission is to enhance the experience of student-athletes while strengthening its competitive position both regionally and nationally, focuses on athletic achievement, academic integrity and development, community outreach, and sportsmanship. As president, Dr. Macchiarola will lead the Council of Presidents in its work in regard to conference policy issues and other matters related to the NEC achieving its mission.
Terriers Welcome Nine New Coaches

Nine new head and assistant coaches will lead various Terriers teams during their 2004-2005 seasons. Seven of the coaches, four women and three men, are former St. Francis College student athletes.

“The combined experience and athletic excellence of our new coaches add depth to an exceptional staff,” said Edward Aquilone ’60, director of athletics. “Individually, each brings considerable knowledge and expertise about his or her sport. As a group, they bring enthusiasm to the entire Terriers athletic program.”

New coaches include Kelly Hall Barsky, assistant coach, women’s basketball; Jo-Ann Eyre McNeil ’03, head coach, women’s tennis; Natasha Green ’04, assistant women’s basketball coach; Yulian Hristov ‘01, assistant coach, men’s water polo; Jelena Maljkovic ’04, assistant coach, women’s swimming and women’s water polo; Hugo Salazar ’04, assistant coach, men’s and women’s diving; Jennifer Tittle, head coach, women’s swimming; Gary Walunas ’85, head coach, men’s swimming; Mike Wilson ’04, assistant coach, men’s basketball.

In addition, several members of current St. Francis College coaching staffs recently were promoted. They are Neal Biscaldi, to first assistant coach, men’s basketball; Chad Davis ’01, promoted to head coach, men’s tennis; and Phil Merlino, promoted to first assistant coach, women’s basketball. Srdjan Mihaljevic ’01, was rehired as assistant coach, women’s water polo.

Among the new coaches leading Terriers teams are, clockwise from top left, Kelly Hall Barsky, women’s basketball; JoAnn Eyre McNeil, women’s tennis; Mike Wilson, men’s basketball; and Yulian Hristov, men’s water polo.
Cardiac surgery was not the first career choice of Vincent Kucich, who grew up in the working class neighborhood now known as Cobble Hill. “I wanted to be a cop,” he said. But when the city suspended applications to the police academy just as he was graduating from Xaverian High School, Dr. Kucich decided to pursue medicine.

A biology major at St. Francis College with a special interest in chemistry, Dr. Kucich graduated in three years and was accepted immediately to SUNY Downstate Medical School. “I confounded all the guys from high school who went to Ivy League colleges and were struggling to get into medical school,” he said. “I knew when I chose St. Francis it was a good choice.”

Dr. Kucich attributes his successful transition to medical school to several St. Francis College professors with medical backgrounds who, he says, were as committed to teaching as they were to science. In particular, he remembers Dr. Donald Metz ’47, who during the week worked as a researcher for Brookhaven National Laboratory and on Saturdays taught physical chemistry at the College for no salary.

“No matter how late our Friday night had been, no one missed Dr. Metz’s class on Saturday morning,” said Dr. Kucich, who throughout his career has taught at a number of colleges and universities. “His passion for St. Francis College and willingness to share his expertise with students is something I respect still today.”

Residencies at Montefiore Hospital and Montefiore Medical Center eventually led Dr. Kucich and his family permanently to Chicago. After positions at Cook County Hospital, where he led the effort to restore the hospital’s cardiology program and performed its first open heart surgery, and University of Illinois College of Medicine, among others, Dr. Kucich currently is medical director of the open heart program and chairman of the department of surgery for St. Francis Hospital in Blue Island, Ill. In addition, he is chairman for the division of cardiothoracic surgery for McNeal Hospital in nearby Berwyn.

Now, in preparation to assume greater administrative responsibility, Dr. Kucich, an avid cyclist and triathlete and father of “four great kids,” is looking to enroll in an executive MBA program in Chicago. Looking back at his professional, educational, and life experiences, he credits the personal attention he received at St. Francis College more than 30 years ago as a critical factor to setting him in the right direction. “Any college can help you, but St. Francis does much more than that,” he said. “The faculty’s extraordinary commitment to teaching communicated to us that we were in a special place.”
Alumni Board of Directors Focuses on Interests of SFC Graduates

Alumni of St. Francis College have opportunities to lend a voice in the planning of events, activities, and programs designed especially for graduates of the College. The alumni board of directors, a group of dedicated alumni who attend five meetings per year, offer suggestions and input that help increase awareness for St. Francis College among its various alumni constituencies.

“The alumni board of directors supports the College and its mission in a number of valuable ways,” said Dennis McDermott ’74, director of alumni relations for St. Francis College. “As representatives of alumni of all ages and backgrounds, board members know what resonates with their fellow graduates. We rely on their input to guide decisions about alumni responsiveness to events and programs that are important to the life of the College.”

Currently, board leadership consists of James Bozart ’86, president, and John J. Casey ’70, vice president. Directors are Edward Aquilone ’60, Jeannette A. Bartley ’00, Brian Campbell ’76, Joan Coles ’94, Kevin Coner ’99, Franey M. Donovan, Jr. ’68, James Dougherty ’66, Gerry Gannon ’60, Daniel Kane ’67, Mary Anne Killeen ’78, Lorraine M. Lynch ’91, James H. McDonal ’69, Martin McNeill ’63, Thomas Quigley ’52, Robert Smith ’72, Theresa Spelman-Huzinec ’88, Peter Spiess ’75, and Joseph Szkutnik ’71.

“The College’s reputation has a significant impact on alumni and their professional lives,” said board member Robert Smith ’72. “Through our work, we not only help protect the integrity of the degrees earned by alumni but we assist the College in pursuing its goals.”

Recently, the board welcomed two new members. They are:

- **Keith Culley ’91**, Old Bridge, N.J., B.S. business management—At St. Francis College Keith was a member of the baseball, swimming, and water polo teams. During his first post-graduation job at Aetna, he obtained his independent adjuster’s license. Shortly thereafter, he joined Edward Reilly & Company. This fall, Keith will begin a master’s degree program at Touro University. He and his wife, Virginia, have a daughter, Amanda, and are expecting their second child in February.

- **Danielle Rouchon ’92**, Rosedale, Queens, B.A., communications—As a student, Danielle was a member of the cheerleading team and the black students association and participated in the Communications Film Festival. After working for a public relations firm and earning a master’s degree in media studies in 1995 from the New School for Social Research, she worked for Lighthouse International, a nonprofit organization whose mission is to help people overcome vision impairment, and the American Cancer Society. Most recently, Danielle served as Program Director for Walk as One, a branch of the National Conference for Community and Justice.

For more information about the alumni board of directors, contact Dennis McDermott ’74, (718) 489-5362, or email dmcdermott@stfranciscolle.edu.

Charter Day Celebration Brings Special Gift to SFC

April 30—On Charter Day, Margaret Jones presented to St. Francis College a photo of the 12 members of the class of 1904, of which her father, James Horgan, was a graduate.

Margaret Jones (second from left) and her son Stephen (far left) present a photo of the class of 1904 to Becket Ryan, O.S.F., and Dennis McDermott ’74, director of alumni affairs.
Reunions
Celebrated at 2004 Alumni Dinner
May 7—At the annual Alumni Reunion Dinner at the Marriott Hotel in Brooklyn, members of several classes celebrated reunions and the class of 2004 attended its first alumni event.

Graduates from the class of 2004 celebrate the completion of four years at St. Francis College.

Youthful Alumni Gather for Food and Fun
June 3—Recent graduates attended a reception at Third and Long Saloon in Manhattan for food and conversation.

Kevin Comer ’99 and Joan M. Coles ’94 relax after work at Young Alumni Night.

Tessa P. Mathurin ’03 and Sandra L. Beecher ’03 visit with their classmates.
2004 Golf Outing: More Than Par for the Course

$85,000 Raised for Scholarships

On June 28, more than 150 alumni and friends of St. Francis College attended the 2004 St. Francis College Golf Outing at Meadow Brook Club in Jericho, N.Y. The event raised a record $85,000, a 40 percent increase over last year’s outing.

“It was a great day for a truly great purpose,” said Josephine Foley Savastano, senior vice president, Citibank Commercial Markets Group, who served as the event’s caddies sponsor.

Proceeds from the event, which broke records for participation as well as revenue, will support scholarships for St. Francis College students, a cause described by tournament co-chairman Brendan J. Dugan ‘68, president, Independence Community Bank’s Business Banking Division, as “critical to the 90 percent of St. Francis College students who receive scholarships or financial aid.”

“The annual golf outing at Meadow Brook has become one of the College’s foremost fundraisers,” said tournament co-chairman Edward Travaglianti ‘70, president, Commerce Bank Long Island. “This year’s was the most successful ever.”

Joseph Wangler ’53 and Roger J. Daly ’52 visit over brunch before golf.

On September 14, nearly 100 members of the President’s Club, St. Francis College’s giving society for donors who make annual gifts of $2,500 or more, joined President Frank J. Macchiarola, Ph.D., ’62 at the society’s annual dinner at Tiro A Segno, a private club in Greenwich Village. Dr. Macchiarola expressed gratitude on behalf of the College to those in attendance, after being introduced by society member Anthony Providenti ’67, who attended the event with his wife, Fran.

“President’s Club members are special to St. Francis College and vital to the College’s ability to continue offering a quality education in today’s competitive higher education environment,” said Dr. Macchiarola. “Every year we look forward to this marvelous event to honor the society’s long-time and brand new members.”

John Tully ’67, who recently moved back to New York from Texas, attended the dinner this fall for the first time. “After being away for so many years, it’s inspiring to see the College flourishing,” he said.

While the President’s Club includes all donors to the College who make annual gifts of $2,500 or more, those whose gifts meet or exceed $5,000 are considered members with distinction. To learn more about becoming a member of the President’s Club, contact Sean Moriarty, vice president for development, (718) 489-5443, smoriarty@stfranciscollege.edu.

Anthony Providenti ‘67, introduced President Macchiarola to President’s Club members.
Ways to Support St. Francis College

The generous contributions of alumni and friends make possible the continued high-quality educational experience that students discover at St. Francis College. These essential and valued gifts support the College’s programs, campus resources, and students in a number of ways. For more information about making a contribution to St. Francis College, please contact the Development Office, (718) 489-5361 or e-mail development@stfranciscollege.edu.

Make a Gift to the Annual Fund
Every year between July 1 and June 30, alumni and friends of St. Francis College have the opportunity to make contributions to the College for a variety of purposes, such as scholarships, the College’s endowment, or general needs. These gifts can be designated by the donor as “unrestricted,” meaning the College is able to decide where to apply the gift, or they can be designated specifically for athletics, the library, or scholarships. All gifts to the annual fund are acknowledged in the College’s annual report.

Remember SFC When Planning Your Estate
It’s possible to include St. Francis College in your estate plans. Many alumni, by working closely with their attorneys, use their wills to make their most substantial gift to the College, usually through a bequest or by naming St. Francis College as beneficiary of a life insurance policy or retirement plan. Others choose to make gifts of real estate or stock to the College as their way of helping to shape the future of their alma mater and future generations of students.

Contribute to the Campaign for Big Dreams
Funds donated to the Campaign for Big Dreams, a $25 million capital campaign currently underway through 2005, are supporting enhancement of the College’s facilities, increased scholarship support, and strengthened academic programs. To date, $16 million has been raised for these purposes, including construction of the College’s new academic center with state-of-the-art library, “smart” classrooms equipped with wireless technology, a theater/lecture hall, updated facilities for the communication arts department, and an Internet-ready student cyber lounge.

Endow a Scholarship
Alumni and friends of St. Francis College are able to endow scholarships to honor a loved one or former teacher. Since 1996, more than 60 new scholarships of this type have been endowed; the College is committed to increasing that number further to provide funding for deserving students who otherwise might not be able to afford a Franciscan education.

A Special Opportunity for NYC Employees
Employees of the City of New York can support the College in a quick and convenient way, through the Combined Municipal Campaign, a charitable payroll deduction program, in which St. Francis College participates. Those interested should contact their supervisors for information.

Learn More:
If you would like to learn more about ways to contribute to St. Francis College or let us know that the College is in your estate plans, please complete and mail this form to St. Francis College, Development Office, 180 Remsen Street, Brooklyn Heights, N.Y., 11201; or call Sean Moriarty, vice president for development, (718) 489-5443.

I would like more information about (check one or more):

- Bequests and wills
- Planned giving
- Endowing a scholarship
- 2004-2005 Annual Fund
- Campaign for Big Dreams
- I/We have already included St. Francis College in my/our estate plans.

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Class Notes

Special Mentions

Monsignor Paul F. Bradley ’37 was honored May 21 by the Long Branch Knights of Columbus and the Friends of Monsignor in celebration of his 90th birthday. A decorated soldier, the Monsignor has received the Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Navy Commendation Medal, Presidential Unit Citation, Navy Unit Commendation, American Defense Service Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal, and World War II Victory Medal.

Arthur Beyer ’61 won the 2004 Terrier Rooter Golf Tournament in St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands. Other participants included 2nd place winner, Robert Ball ’61 and finalist John Wagnes ’61.

William J. Ryan ’65, chairman, president, and chief executive officer, Banknorth Group, Inc., received The Henri A. Benoit Award for Leadership in the Private Sector at the Portland, Maine, Regional Chamber’s 150th Annual Dinner. The award was given to Mr. Ryan for contributions to his community through leadership and effort in civic and charitable activities. Mr. Ryan was also elected to the board of directors of UnumProvident Corporation.

1940s

J. Vincent Gallagher, Esq. ’41, received the Progress of Peoples Achievement Award, given by the Progress of Peoples Development Corporation, which he served as president, 1975-2003.

1950s

Joseph Ippolito ’56 and his son opened Northgate CARE Pharmacy in Waldorf, Md.

1960s

James M. Burns ’60 sold his New Jersey accounting practice and retired to North Carolina.

Frank J. Macchiarola, Ph.D. ’62, president, St. Francis College, and his wife, Mary, announce the birth of grandson Daniel Michael, Sept. 2. He is welcomed by his parents, Joseph and Michaela Macchiarola, and brothers John and Joseph.

Patrick F. Sullivan ’63 has opened SSI Realty of Florida, LLC in Fort Lauderdale, FL, where he lives. In the past, he has held executive positions with IBM and KPMG Consulting.

Charles A. Bennett ’65 received the Gannon University Service Award for 35 years of dedication, loyalty, and commitment to the university.

John T. Ferraioli ’66 retired and spends time taking aerial photographs over eastern Long Island from a Cessna 172 Skyhawk.

Edward J. Jaworski ’66 and his wife, Kathy, are retired. He currently is the junior varsity basketball coach at Nazareth High School in Bellerose, N.Y. He has been married for 30 years to Carol; they have a daughter, Margaret, selected for Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory and is chairman of the Maurer Foundation for Breast Health Education.

Michael A. Davino ’68 retired from the NYC Department of Education as principal of Michael J. Petrides School. He is now superintendent of the Springfield N.J. school system.

Neal P. Bennett ’69 recently hosted a get-together for fellow alumni at his home in Breezy Point.

1970s

Thomas J. Curtin, Jr. ’70 is proud to announce his daughter, Margaret, selected St. Francis College over several universities that offered her full scholarships to study theater. He hopes she becomes a member of the St. Francis Trouper.

Edward Travaglini ’70 is president of Commerce Bancorp on Long Island. He is also vice chairman, board of trustees, Winthrop-University Hospital; member of the board of trustees, Winthrop-South Nassau Health System; member of the board of directors, Pall Corporation; chairman of the board, Long Island Works Coalition and Project Long Island; on the board of trustees for Long Island University and chancellor of LIU’s Brooklyn campus. He also serves on the board of directors for Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory and is chairman of the Maurer Foundation for Breast Health Education.

Patrick J. Russo ’71 retired from the New York State Supreme Court in 2002. He now teaches at St. Gregory the Great Elementary School in Bellrose, N.Y.

Pasquale A. Bianculli ’72 announces the publication of his book, 101 Tips and Tricks for Acoustic Guitar, which became available in February.

Frank L. Punturieri ’72 graduated from the Chubb Institute with a degree in web development and business programming. He has been married for 30 years to Carol; they have a daughter, Alicia, and son, Brian. Mr. Punturieri works for the New Jersey Insurance Underwriting Association in Newark, N.J.

James C. Malone ’73 is chief financial officer for The TriZetto Group, Inc.

Robert E. Woods ’73 announces the birth of granddaughter, Mallory Ann Joiner, April 1.

Mahmoud M. Elghandour ’74 was appointed vice president-controller of Kaneb Pipe Line Company LLC.

Kevin Hayes ’74 published a children’s book, Joy of My Heart: A St. Patrick’s Day
Tale. He works at P.S. 101 in Bensonhurst, Brooklyn.

John R. Meyer ’74 was named head of the Annuity Department at New York Life Insurance Company, where he is senior vice president. John lives in Staten Island with his wife, Cathy, and their three children.

Theodore Glikis ’75 retired from UNICEF. He lives in Jamaica, Queens.

Vincent A. Ferraioli ’78 celebrated his 25th anniversary at Con Edison.

Joseph R. Ferrari ’78 was keynote speaker at Nazareth High School’s graduation ceremony. He is chairman of Links to Nazareth, a program for alumni of the school who currently work as faculty or administrators in colleges and universities.

William C. Armstrong ’79 was appointed to the board of directors for New Island Hospital. He is senior vice president and chief financial officer for St. Francis Hospital on Long Island.

Marie E. Michaelson ’79 was promoted to senior vice president and auditor, Suffolk County National Bank. She directs internal auditing for all phases of the bank’s operations and makes recommendations for improved controls, accounting records, and system designs.

1980s

Anne Jackson Rasmussen ’80 recently appeared on the daytime drama “All My Children.” She is a member of the American Federation of Television and Radio Artists and works part time for the department of surgery at Staten Island University Hospital. She has been married to Roy Rasmussen for 19 years.

Virginia Fazio ’82 relocated to Lantana, Fl.

Victor ’82 and Donna M. Vientos ’82 announce their son, Victor III, was named 2004 Patriot Indoor Track and Field Team Representative for Lehight University. Melissa, Bryan, and Cody are also proud of their brother.

Salvatore Ferrigno ’85 joined Robert K. Futterman & Associates LLC as senior director. Prior to joining RKF, he served as managing director for Garrick-Aug Associates Store Leasing, Inc.

Michael Angelone ’88 was named manager of Commerce Bank’s Bensonhurst branch. Previously, he was vice president/branch manager for Republican National/HSBC Bank.

1990s

Christine Kaye ’90 was promoted to executive officer of the 13th Police Precinct in Manhattan. She is one of five women to hold a number-two spot in the New York City Police Department. She lives in Manhattan with her husband.

Richard E. Pino ’90 is chief financial officer for Frontline Communications International, Inc. In April, he was named to the board of directors of St. Christopher’s, Inc.

Janet M. Dawson ’91 benefits manager for Sleepy’s, Inc. She lives in East Farmingdale, N.Y.

Paul A. Johnson ’92 is associate at Tucker Ellis & West LLP, Los Angeles. He is a member of the firm’s trial group, which focuses on mass tort and products liability litigation. He is a licensed Federal Aviation Administration pilot and a member of the Layer-Pilot’s Bar Association.

Eileen M. Long-Chelales ’92 was appointed regional administrator of the U.S. General Services Administration Northeast and Caribbean Region. Prior to joining GSA, she served New York’s Governor Pataki as deputy secretary for administration and operations.

Diane A. Pencil ’94 is a captain at Colgan Air, US Airways Express.

Dawn M. Alberigo ’95 is manager of corporate events for Time Warner.

Michael A. MacIntyre ’97 was promoted to first vice president of media and entertainment, HSBC Bank. He lives in Brooklyn.

2000s

Allen J. West ‘00 is managing partner of The Den, a lounge and art gallery in Harlem.

Weddings and Anniversaries

Joseph P. Masco ’51 and his wife, Nancy, recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a party at the Hilton Garden Inn, in Bloomfield, N.J. They have two sons, Peter and Paul, and six grandchildren.

Joseph Mercurio ’71 wed Jennifer Byron in Rhode Island. Joseph is president of National Political Services, a political consulting firm in Manhattan, and is also an adjunct professor at New York University.

Stephen J. Dougherty ’94 wed Sara Perkins at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Syracuse.

Tahirah F. Lamont ’94 wed David Brown in Scottsdale, Ariz. Tahirah is a flight engineer for Federal Express.

MaryEllen T. Siconolfi ’95 wed Thomas DiGiulio at Resurrection R.C. Church in Brooklyn. She is a teacher at Our Lady of Guadalupe Elementary School in Brooklyn.

David E. Moskowitz ’97 married Eugenia Klopsis. They live in Marine Park, Brooklyn.

Tahirah F. Lamont ’94 and David E. Moskowitz ’97
assistant coach for the Terriers women’s basketball team.

William and Angela Manekas.

Michael S. Bonanno ‘02 wed Gillian Bennett at St. Patrick’s R.C. Church in Richmond on Staten Island. Michael is securities associate at the New York Stock Exchange in Manhattan and a seventh grade basketball coach at St. Patrick Elementary School in Richmond. They live in Pleasant Plains, Staten Island.

Births

Jeannine Sullivan Ramos ’93 and her husband, Osiris, welcome their son, Kyle Thomas, April 20. They also have a two-year-old son, Osiris.

Margaret Doyle Kane ’95 and her husband Daniel announce the birth of their son, Brendan, June 10. They also have daughters, Bridget and Cathleen.


Nominations for Alumni Awards Being Accepted

To nominate a faculty member, administrator, or fellow alumnus to be honored at next spring’s annual Alumni Reunion Dinner, please contact Vanessa De Almeida, assistant director of alumni relations, (718) 489-5363, or e-mail vdealmeida@stfranciscollege.edu.

Events
Fall and Winter 2004-2005

Keep informed of events at St. Francis through e-mail updates. Did you know St. Francis College holds many events throughout the year? To receive e-mail notification of these, e-mail vdealmeida@stfranciscollege.edu with your name, year of graduation, and e-mail address. You will be added to our list. It’s fast and it’s free.

October 28
8th Annual Thomas J. Volpe Lecture Series and inaugural lecture of “Breaking the Glass Ceiling”
Speaker: Mary Robinson, former president of Ireland
Founders Hall, 11 a.m.
No charge; call Office of Special Events for reservations (718) 489-5272.

November 15
Networking Night for Young Alumni
American Management Association
Hosted by Edward Reilly ’68, AMA President and CEO
1601 Broadway (at 48th Street), 6 p.m.
For information and reservations, contact Vanessa De Almeida (718) 489-5363, vdealmeida@stfranciscollege.edu.

November 19-20
St. Francis College Troupers present The Hot L Baltimore by Lanford Wilson
Founders Hall, 8 p.m.
Tickets $8 at the door
For more information, contact Office of Special Events, (718) 489-5372.

November 23
Alumni Reception at Sly Fox Inn
Fresh Meadows, Queens, 5:30 p.m.
To be followed by SFC vs. St. John’s University at SJU
For information, contact Dennis McDermott (718) 489-5362, dmcdermott@stfranciscollege.edu.

December 1
Dedication of Peter Aquilone Court
Pope Center, 6 p.m.
For information, contact Office of Special Events, (718) 489-5272.

December 4
Alumni Veterans Reception
Callahan Center, 5 p.m.
To be followed by SFC vs. Army at SFC
For information, contact Donna DeSiena (718) 489-5471, ddesiena@stfranciscollege.edu.

December 10
St. Francis College Choir Concert
Founders Hall, 7 p.m.
Admission is free; alumni are invited.

February 5
Alumni Memorial Mass
Founders Hall, 11 a.m.
Reception immediately following in Genovesi Center
For information, contact Donna DeSiena (718) 489-5471, ddesiena@stfranciscollege.edu.
We Remember

Michael P. DeBlasio, 1937-2004

On June 30, St. Francis College lost a dear friend, dedicated alumnus, and valued member of the board of trustees with the death of Michael P. DeBlasio ’58. Mr. DeBlasio, who had served on the St. Francis College board of trustees since 1999, was, until his retirement in 2002, chief financial officer and senior vice president of the Lorel Corporation.

A member of the board’s finance committee, Mr. DeBlasio is remembered as a devoted supporter of academic scholarships. In 1998, he and his wife, Kathleen, endowed the Helen and Louis DeBlasio Scholarship in honor of Mr. DeBlasio’s parents. “The generous spirit Michael extended to young people who could not otherwise afford a college education is foremost among his many contributions to the College and its students,” said Thomas J. Volpe, chairman, St. Francis College board of trustees.

“In every circumstance Michael led with humility and grace,” said President Frank J. Macchiarola. “His enduring commitment and enthusiasm for St. Francis College are among the gifts of his legacy.”

Mr. DeBlasio served also as a trustee to Dickinson College, Our Lady of Mercy Hospital, and the New York Philharmonia Virtuosi. In addition to his wife, he is survived by his daughter Deirdre-Noel and her husband Todd Engels, and two grandchildren. Donations in Mr. DeBlasio’s memory may be made to St. Francis College.

The following alumni and friends of St. Francis College recently have passed away. We pray for the repose of their souls. Requiescant in Pacem.

St. Francis College Alumni

Gerard G. Betz ’49
Giles Brooks ’54
Robert Buetti ’57
William Cahill ’60
Anthony Caracciolo ’50
Frederick Cavanagh ’48
Louis Cunningham, O.S.F. ’40
Michael P. DeBlasio ’58
John J. Fleming ’50
Mary Gay ’80
Thomas R. Greene, Ph.D. ’58
Mark Gullo ’75
Harold Harvers, O.S.F. ’68
John Hough ’69
Dr. Thaddeus Jozefowicz ’64
William Keating ’40
Otis Mays ’81
John M. McDermott ’50
John McGowan ’65
James F. McGrath ’58
George J. Mullen ’63
Maj. Raymond R. Miller ’63
Peter Nugent ’72
Patrick O’Connor ’50
William O’Shea ’71
John F. O’Sullivan ’59
Felix D. Paolucci ’43
John Rizzo ’73
James L. Rogers ’57
Harold Savarese ’50
Eileen Vardy-Titone ’80
Edmund Tomaselli ’47
Lawrence X. Webb ’49

Friends of St. Francis College

Peter Aquilone, son of Edward Aquilone ’60, SFC director of athletics
Peter Brown, father of Ken Brown ’70
Hamil Claudius Bruno, father of Angela Bruno ’75
Margaret Collins, mother of Jennifer Collins ’97
Lorraine Elhilow, mother of Joseph Elhilow ’71
Martha Forcina, mother of Dominic Quigley, O.S.F. ’71
Charles Higgins, father of Joan Higgins ’84
Sarah Jean Kent, mother of Walter Kent ’68 and Robert Kent, O.S.F.
Elliot Koppell, brother-in-law to Joseph Mingrone ’76
Lucretia Loughlin, mother of Mark E. Loughlin ’95
Mary Maguire, mother of Eric McGuire ’71
Susan Mammolitto, mother of Jerome Mammolitto ’73
Peter Marcolini, father of Joseph Marcolini ’02
Delia Montalbano, mother of Richard Montalbano ’72
Helen Mullahy, mother-in-law to Dan Kane ’67
Marie Murphy, mother of Patrick Murphy, O.S.F. ’68
Thomas S. O’Brien, professor emeritus
Christopher J. Palmieri, former chief accountant for SFC
Marie Parrett, mother of William Parrett ’67
Dorothy Quinn, grandmother of Christopher Fortunato ’03
Lynne Raftery, wife of John Raftery ’68, sister-in-law to James Raftery ’63 and Joe Raftery ’91
Nancy F. Roach, mother of Peter Roach ’67
David Ryan, brother of Becket Ryan, O.S.F.
Mary Ryan, mother of Frank (Mickey) Ryan ’73
Patricia B. Seely, former employee and mother of Francis Seely ’69
Nina Travaglianti, mother of Edward Travaglianti ’70

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Why Are These Alumni So Happy?

They’re smiling because they participated in recent SFC alumni events where they reunited with old friends, networked with new ones, and reconnected with the College. To receive e-mail notification about upcoming alumni events, contact Vanessa De Almeida, assistant director of alumni relations, vdealmeida@stfranciscollege.edu.